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This application is abandoned in view of:					
<ol> <li>Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Offic         <ul> <li>(a) ☐ A reply was received on (with a Certificate of period for reply (including a total extension of time of</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	Mailing or Transmission dated month(s)) which expired on				
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2. Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).					
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